

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2017-381-A

IN RE:

Office of Regulatory Staff's Petition for an Order Requiring Utilities to Report the Impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act)))))	PETITION TO INTERVENE
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Petitioner Building Industry Association of South Carolina ("BIA" or "Petitioner") hereby petitions the South Carolina Public Service Commission (the "Commission"), pursuant to Rule 103-825 of the Commission's Rules, for an order allowing Petitioner to intervene in the above referenced Docket, with full rights to participate as a party of record. In support of its petition, Petitioner would show the Commission the following:

1. BIA is a trade association located at 625 Taylor Street, Columbia, SC 29201. BIA has one or more members with multiple residential communities under development in the Midlands of South Carolina and specifically within the service area of Palmetto Utilities, Inc. ("PU") Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC ("PWR"), and/or the service areas of other water and wastewater utilities regulated by the Commission. These BIA members have made and will make in the future contributions in aid of construction ("CIAC") to PU, PWC, and/or other utilities regulated by the Commission.

2. Petitioner and its members have an interest in this proceeding by virtue of being affected by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, as applied by Commission Order No. 2018-252, other orders of this Commission, and as may be applied in subsequent orders of the Commission issued in this Docket.

3. One concern of the Petitioner and its members is the “tax multiplier” that has been applied or may be applied to CIAC made by Petitioner’s members to various utilities regulated by this Commission.

4. Petitioner and its members do not believe a “tax multiplier” like that described in Commission Order 2018-252 (issued in this Docket) and elsewhere is warranted. More fundamentally however, the Commission must consider all the impacts the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act may have on utilities, not just one particular effect of one specific provision thereof.

5. Petitioner should therefore be permitted to intervene in this proceeding in order to participate fully and present testimony and other evidence in this Docket as appropriate.

6. Currently the Petitioner’s interest in this Docket relates specifically to any “tax multiplier” sought to be assessed in connection with CIAC. However, Petitioner reserves the right to set forth its position more fully as necessary and appropriate as this proceeding moves forward.

7. Petitioner's authorized representative in this proceeding is the undersigned.

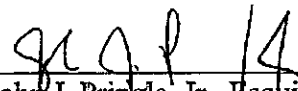
WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays for the Commission to:

- a. Grant this Petition to Intervene and make Petitioner a party of record in Docket No. 2017-381-A, allowing Petitioner to participate fully and take such positions as it deems advisable; and
- b. Grant such other relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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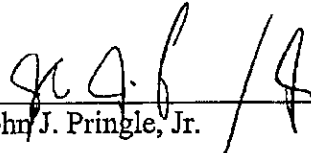
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